## PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners April 24, 2017 1101 Oberlin Road Raleigh, NC 27605

**MEMBERS ATTENDING:** Wm. Hunter Cook, CPA, President; Cynthia B. Brown, CPA, Vice President; Jeffrey J. Truitt, Esq., Secretary-Treasurer; Murchison ("Bo") Biggs, CPA; Justin C. Burgess; L. Samuel Williams, Jr., CPA; and Michael H. Womble, CPA,

**STAFF ATTENDING:** Robert N. Brooks, Executive Director; David R. Nance, CPA, Deputy Director; Frank Trainor, Esq., Staff Attorney; Lisa R. Hearne, Communications Manager; Jean Marie Small, Professional Standards Specialist; Buck Winslow; Licensing Manager; and Noel L. Allen, Esq., Legal Counsel.

**GUESTS:** Sharon Bryson, CEO, NCACPA; Amelia Hodges, Director of Meetings & Logistics, NCACPA; Deetra Watson, CPA, NCACPA; Suzanne Jolicoeur, Senior Manager, State Regulation & Legislation, AICPA; Nathan Standley, Esq., and Officer Scott Kooiker, Raleigh Police Department.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Cook called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the March 22, 2017, meeting were approved as corrected.

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY ITEMS:** The March 2017 financial statements were accepted as submitted.

**LEGISLATIVE AND RULE-MAKING ITEMS**: Mr. Brooks reported that the rules submitted to the Rules Review Commission (RRC) at its April 20, 2017, meeting were approved with the technical revisions as required by the RRC.

Mr. Brooks shared seven bills introduced in the Legislature regarding occupational licensing boards which will need to be followed.

**REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE:** Ms. Brown moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

<u>Case Nos. C2016221-1 and C2016221-2</u> – Bobby T. Martin, CPA and Bobby T. Martin, CPA, PLLC – Approve a Notice of Hearing for July 24, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

Case No. C2017023 - Close the case without prejudice.

<u>Case No. C2017047</u> - Close the case without prejudice. Mr. Womble did not participate in any discussion or vote on this matter.

<u>Case No. C2017071</u> - Close the case without prejudice.

**REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE:** Mr. Biggs moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

**Transfer of Grades Applications -** The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

Sharmila Shrestha

Nan Wang

**Original Certificate Applications -** The full Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

Joseph Landon Anderson Ryan Timothy Bannister James States Lee Baynard Michael Andrew Brinck Marion M. Connor Zachary Wayne Cope Matthew Cameron Creech Maria Carmina Crisol Larisa Key Demling Megan Elizabeth Early David Scott Emery Karina Ruth Escalante Alexander Steele Givens Will Browder Goodwin Stacey Stafford Hardister Daniel Philip Hobbs

John Isaac Jordan
Samuel Charles Kimber
Catherine Cushman Kropp
Casey Victoria Maciej
Brent Edward McKenzie
Parker David Megginson
Micah Daniel Rivera
Jeremy Wayne Rosenkrans
Drew Anthony Saia
Sharmila Shrestha
William Scott VanKirk
Michael Jerome Vazquez
Nan Wang
Aviance Latrice Williams
Anthony John Yorio

Mr. Biggs and Mr. Burgess recommended that the Board approve the application submitted by David Brian Williams; Mr. Williams recused himself from this vote.

**Reciprocal Certificate Applications** - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

Tammy Ruggerio Allman Charles Earl Bailey Timothy Michael Barney Bradley Alan Beck Kara Johanna Bohde Scott Michael Brenner

Edwin Joseph Buehner Eric Ted Burton Matthew Robert Costa Frederick Michael Deeb Robert William Del Riego Thomas William Devine **Iessica** Diaz George Doulis Kelsey Musslewhite Doulis Jialin Li Feasel **Bradley Alexander Gates** Nancy Jean Goodwin Samantha Elizabeth Graves Harriett Gray Shelly Ann Guzzetta Mary Etta Hall Kasey Lynn Harris Neil Ira Harris Nicholas Richard Harris Theresa Marie Higgins John Van Hinson, Jr. Skye LaRae Hodges Kathleen Marie Holston Xiaoping Jiang Elaine Denison Johnson Tabatha O'Neil Johnson Gregory Reed Kellar Tanya Marie Kellar John Hunter Kennedy Robb Morrow Kiley

Eric Peter Llorey Clifton Lee Looney, Jr. Kamal Prakash Manik Lynsi Morgan Matthews David William McGarry Jeffrey Michael Moncrief Lindsey Nicole Monek Latonya Danielle Montford Annie Murphree Moore Hunter John Nottingham Lori J. Nurse Corrin Vassey O'Brien Corey Palmer Angel Alicia Pia Wenyi Qiu Dyan Dillion Riden Erin Michelle Rieddle Beverly Joann Schonauer Nicole Lafranz Seeling Kay Anne Sees Suzanna Krail Sevin Scott James Sherwood Elizabeth B. Shomo **Julie Barlow Smith** Oyinade Taylor Stephen Carroll Taylor Mitali Harsh Vasavada Joseph Anton Westerhaus Shayna Michele Wiggins Marie Adele Williamson Kasey Taylor Woodard

**Temporary Permits** - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following temporary permits that were approved by the Executive Director:

Elaine Denison Johnson, T9726 Jialin Li Feasel, T9727 Nicholas Richard Harris, T9728 Kasey Taylor Woodard, T9729 William Ranza Sheets, T9730 George Doulis, T9731 Kelsey Musslewhite Doulis, T9732 Jeffrey Allen Hirth, T9733

Joseph Paul Lakatos

Stephen Patrick Reader, T9734 Ashok Natarajan Noah, T9735 Kay Anne Sees, T9736 Shayna Michele Wiggins, T9737 Beverly Joann Schonauer, T9738 Bradley Alan Beck, T9739 Dyan Dillon Riden, T9740 Scott James Sherwood, T9741 Annie Murphree Moore, T9742 Samantha Elizabeth Graves, T9743 Christopher Lee Lindsay, T9744 Lee Buchanan Gay, T9745 Clifton Lee Looney, Jr., T9746 Robert Franklin Breining, T9759 Mark Edward McCann, T9760

Hany Nagah Attia, T9761 Elena Gogea, T9762 Timothy Joseph Wilhelmy, T9763 Shannon Ashley Carlton, T9764 Jeffrey William Smith, T9765 Anita Pippin Edwards, T9766

**Reinstatements** - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

James Alan Barbee, #16064 John Kevin Cage, #14918

Wendy White Pope, #34917 Kelly Butler Smith, #25842

**Reissuance of New Certificate** - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the application for reissuance of new certificate submitted by Daniel Alan Yarborough, #33032.

**Firm Registrations** - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following professional limited liability companies that were approved by the Executive Director:

Hoffmaster, CPA PLLC McGrath, PLLC

Wesley J. Tyson CPA, PLLC

**Extension Requests -** The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following individuals for extension for completion of CPE until the dates noted:

George Glenn Adams #3652 - June 30, 2017

Joann K. Phillips #20977 - June 30, 2017

**Letter of Warning -** Staff reviewed the random CPE audit submitted by Yogini Kara Parmar, #36821 that listed 2015 CPE taken between January 1 and June 30, 2016, without an approved extension. Staff recommended a Letter of Warning for a first offense pursuant to 21 NCAC 08G .0406(b)(1). The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

Staff recommended approval of the request to rescind the Letter of Warning issued to William McKay Henderson, #14738. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

**Examinations** -The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following staff-approved applicants to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination:

Ylora Acosta

Ashley Adams

Matthew Albert Deborah Anderson Robert Arland Alana Ayala Nicholas Barnas Tasha Barnes William Barnes Natalia Barriga **Jonathan Barwick** De-Kia Battle Laura Beam Ryan Beeson Stephen Belch Stephen Belcher Lynsey Bell Stacey Bell Ethan Bellm Duncan Belo Michele Belue Sydney Bennett Robert Bett William Biney Brandon Blackerby Melissa Blackman Travis Blackmon Andrew Blalock Margaret Blanton Lauren Bolusky William Boney Sara Boswell Darby Boyd Sherry Boyd Mary Brandt Connor Brank Kristin Brigman Keith Bristol Jessica Brittain Cindy Broccolo Allie Brooks Rachael Broom

Alisa Brown

Sarah Brown

Gregory Brown

Ashley Bryant
Penny Buckner
Christopher Burch
Stephanie Burgess
Meghan Burke
Hanna Butler
Dylan Cain
Jamie Caldwell
Samantha Campanaro

Samantha Campanaro Kenneth Cargain Ryan Carson Kayla Carter Grant Chambers Eric Chamblee

Ri Chan

Rachel Chaney Rashida Chang Maitland Chase Abraham Chen **Justin Chestnutt** Kaylyn Clark Kimberly Clark Rashaad Clavon Adam Clayton **Tracey Clements** Erich Cloninger Lauren Collins Clark Colosimo **Brian Combs** Allison Core Brian Crutchfield

Eva Cruz

Andrew Cullinan Sharon Cullipher Carlie Cunningham Christopher Cunningham

Brian Currin

Daniel Dapkiewicz Laura Davenport Casey Davis Virginia Dawson Caroline DeRhodes Candace DeSantes

Edward DeSaussure **Antwain Dickens** Sarah Dietz David Dimsdale Ashleigh Dobbins Jeremy Donabedian Austin Donze Charles Dorcelien **Brian Douglass** Julie Drahushuk Alicia Driver Mamie Duckworth Stephen Duncan Drew Dunn James Durand Abigail Durham Sarah Edwards Nancy Elliott Brooke English Kimberly Ervin Karina Escalante Sarah Exley Andrew Fairchild Michael Falcone Melanie Falk Caitlin Faughnan Alison Faustyn Susan Fenwick Arlene Ferriter Thomas Fiedler Sean Fitzgerald Ryan Fletcher Katlyn Foster Laura Frazier Landry Frei Anna Futrell Paige Garner John Garrett Philip Garrigan Min Ge Rebecca Geddes Chad Gibbs

Garrett Gidlow

Nicholas Gittin John Given Sarah Glovier Haley Good Jessica Grant Thomas Greene Benjamin Gregory Rachel Grote Monica Gutierrez Geoffrey Haigler Turner Haigwood **Gregory Hales** Tariq Hamed Allison Harden Jordan Harrell Cameran Harrison **Dustin Harrison** Andrew Harward John Haus Kali Havner Shernelia Hawkins Daniel Hayes Kimberly Hecht Margaret Helmig Steven Helms Gregg Hemric Reanne Henry Hayley Henson Juan Hernandez Michele Hewitt **Joshua Hill** Joshua Hincher Elizabeth Hinson Ann Hobson Crystal Hoegen Robert Hogan Amanda Holland Teresa Holland Jonathan Holt Benjamin Horne Ethan Howell Ryan Hucks Lindsay Huebler

Staci Huffman Noah Huffstetler Trevor Huggins Lauren Hughes Paul Humienny Kevin Israel Hamilton James Nicholaus James

Kellie Janes Joyce Jarrett Lisa Johansen Sarah Johnson Tonnette Johnson

Emily Jones Zachery Jones

Leonnie Odette Kangaji

Gurpreet Kaur Timothy Kearns Jessica Kenny Michael Kentfield Hyon-Kyoung Kim

Paul Kim
Brittany King
Kathryn King
Victoria King
William Koernig
Kevin YinTak Kwong

Victoria Lacivita
Bart Landen
Cortney Leggett
Zhekang Li
Marjorie Loflin
Jordan Loman

Ernest Lookabill Holly Lorms Travis Lowman Casey Maciej

Thomas MacInnes

Ryan Mack Lisa Maida LaToya Malloy Patricia Mann Michelle Marley Chloe Massey Claire Mathias Brooke Mathis Susanne Matthews Patrizia McCoy Henry McDonald Madison McDonald

Ian McKee
Breanna McShea
Parker Megginson
Michael Meglin
Jack Melhorn
James Merritt
Erin Meyer
Allison Miller
Kareem Miller
Manoj Mirchandani

Robert Moore Jason Morgan Donna Morris Andrew Mothena

Marzouck Moussiliou-Coles

Stacy Mroz Allison Murphy Taylor Murphy Newsam Mutamba

Sasha Myers Morgan Nash Nader Nasrallah Francisco Naveira Luan Nguyen Tri Nguyen Sarah Nicholls Nelly Njau

Evariste Ntirenganya

David Nussman Nkemjika Nwosu Nana Nyanor Addysen O'Briant Caitlin O'Neil

Mofopefoluwa Obadina

Abigail Odette Adaora Okonkwo David Padykula Mark Parsells Kenan Patel Nirali Patel

Christopher Patterson

Chelsea Payne
Philip Pearce
Tiffany Pearce
Meghan Perdue
Cecilia Peters
Jasmine Pettaway
Phuong Pham
Thanh Pham
Adam Phillips
Ljiljana Pilipovic
Haley Pope
Austin Powell

Brittany Powell James Powell Ian Pratt Aaron Pryor Sarah Putnam

Veronika Quintana

Natalie Reed Samantha Reed Stuart Reese John Reid

Jonathon Rembecki Christopher Rezac Katherine Rice

Amber Richardson-Booker

Nora Richmond Ryan Ricks

Gregory Rierson
Andrew Riordan
Micah Rivera
Hillary Roberts
Shaun Roberts
Ellen Rockefeller
Samuel Roebuck
Bradley Rogers
Julian Rojas

Debra Roque

Roberto Rosario Samantha Rosier Elizabeth Ross William Ross Meghan Ruddy Drew Saia

Kyle Salvaterra
Mariana Samanez
Richard Sater
Jason Sauder
Landon Savino
Reyna Sawyer
Elizabeth Saylor
Thomas Schotzinger
Andrew Schuett
Amanda Scott

Vanessa Seiglie Tyler Sell Hogan Sellers Mansa Shah Payal Shah Stephen Sheller Amber Shively Joshua Sigmon Karen Singletary

Taylor Seal

**Emily Sisk** Lanita Slaughter Rakita Sledge Meredith Sloboda Cameron Smith Conor Smith Daniel Smith **Iennifer Smith** Susan Smitherman Eric Sommermann Kayleigh Spangler Caroline Speer Zachary Spicer Stephen Spivey Stacey Stafford Nicholas Steward

Makayla Stiffler

Sheila Stone Sarah Sullivan Steven Sumner Shanique Sumter Vevian Sun Jared Swavely Wesley Sweigart Kayla Sykes Raenie Talon Willie Tate David Templeton Martrice Terry **Taylor Tibbs** Spencer Tiedge Meredith Timberlake Lindsay Tippett Tawnia Tolliver Ashley Tomasula Matthew Travison Sherry Truax Taresa Turner Sarah Turpin Petra Tyndall Onur Uman Carlos Valencia Henrica Van OOrt Matthew VanDyne Kabao Vang

Christopher Vaughan

Tessa Vinson

Eric Vozzo Cassandra Wagner Lauren Walker Katherine Warlick Cooper Wasil Joshua Waters **James Wax** Patricia Weekley Walter Wessinger Dylan Westrick Patrick White David Whiteman **Aviance Williams Brittany Williams** Vaughn Williams Paul Willoughby Heather Wilson Jeremy Winters Michael Wolfe **Angelica Wonders** AnnMarie Wood Edgar Woodliff Kenneth Woodruff Kevin Yang Justin Yarbrough Barry Yoder **Justin Young** Aaron Zerkel Liudmila Zill

Staff recommended that the Committee determine and accept the grades received for the January – February 2017 exams. Twenty-five (25) files with grade reports were haphazardly selected and available at the meeting for review by a Board member. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

**Firm Renewal and Peer Review Matters -** The firms listed below submitted a renewal or termination notice less than 60 days after the deadline. Staff recommended referral to the Professional Standards Committee. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation:

Thomas Alvis, CPA, #31152 Janet P. Dengler, CPA, # 24685 Jon-Michael Devine, CPA, PLLC Jon-Michael Devine, #31900 Carla Hingos, CPA, #28035 Tim Koch PLLC Timothy Jay Koch, #31532 Wilma H. Mikeal, CPA, #17258 Arne W. Morris, CPA, #21618 Thomas K. O'Malley, CPA, #21812 Regina H. Rudolph, CPA, PLLC Regina Hall Rudolph, #32428 Galady Williams, CPA, #37886

**Rescind Form of Practice Statement -**Steven Fredric King, #9262 signed a Form of Practice Statement due to his employment. However, due to a recent rule change, staff recommended that the statement be rescinded. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

**Rescind Probation -** Staff has received and recommended approval of the request to rescind the probation status issued to Aaron Michael Olive. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

**EXECUTIVE STAFF AND LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT:** As part of the Strategic Plan, Mr. Nance presented the new Monthly and Year-to-Date Operational Metrics report. The Board discussed the report and gave Mr. Nance guidance on an addition to the report format.

Mr. Nance also discussed the recent IT report issued by an outside consultant regarding the Board's information technology footprint. The report is and its recommendations will be an integral part of the Board's ongoing Strategic Plan.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Messrs. Biggs and Williams moved to enter Closed Session to discuss a matter from the Personnel Committee. Motion passed.

**REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:** Messrs. Biggs and Williams moved to approve the hiring of the MAPS Group to perform an employee classification and compensation study of the Board personnel and to update the Board personnel manual. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Messrs. Cook and Biggs moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Attested to by:

Robert N. Brooks Executive Director Wm. Hunter Cook, CPA

President